

# Volunteer Abroad: Buck-I-SERV Guatemala

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## Impact

- Mastered teamwork with each other and the family members we were assisting to effectively serve a community
- Developed a greater appreciation and learned more about diverse cultures



**Program:** Buck-I-SERV partnered with Constru Casa

**Location:** Guatemala

**Duration:** 7 days

**Description:** Partnered with 12 other Ohio State students, we built homes and provided plumbing for three different families in a poor, mountainous region near Antigua, Guatemala. We also were able to experience Guatemala's unique culture through a variety of activities.



## Favorite Part

I really enjoyed working alongside the family members during the process of building the homes. Speaking with Max, an eleven-year-old boy, about his favorite hobbies and school each day was very rewarding. I will always remember his gratitude toward our team when we finally finished his house on the last day!

## Motivation

Interested in pursuing healthcare as a future occupation, I want to continue to learn to serve those from diverse backgrounds. This trip made me aware of disparities present worldwide and has improved my sense of cultural sensitivity which will benefit myself and those around me in the future.

## Transformational Experience

- Learned to effectively work together with people from a wide variety of backgrounds
- Served a local community and greatly improved their way of life
- Developed a greater appreciation for unique cultures
- Developed a desire to continue to travel abroad to international locations as a future healthcare professional



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